division of the Department" is deleted for brevity because divisions of the Department are included in the general reference to the "Department".

Also in subsection (b)(1) of this section, the former phrase "for the purpose of developing rules and regulations" is deleted for clarity and brevity.

In the introductory language of subsection (b)(2) of this section, the former reference to "rules" is deleted as included in the reference to "regulations". See General Revisor's Note to article.

In subsection (b)(2)(i) of this section, the reference to the "Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities" is substituted for the former reference to the "Governor's Committee for Employment of the Handicapped" to reflect the current name of the committee.

In subsection (c) of this section, the reference to the "Maryland Accessibility Code" is substituted for the former reference to the "Code" for clarity and consistency throughout this section. Similarly, in subsection (d)(1) and (2) of this section, the reference to the "Maryland Accessibility Code" is substituted for the former reference to the "Disability Code". Similarly, in subsection (e) of this section, the reference to the "Maryland Accessibility Code" is substituted for the former reference to the "State building code for the handicapped". Similarly, in subsections (f)(2) and (i)(1) of this section, the reference to the "Maryland Accessibility Code" is substituted for the former reference to the "Maryland Building Code for the Handicapped".

Also in subsection (c) of this section, the reference to "governmental units" is substituted for the former reference to "public agencies" for consistency with similar provisions in this and other revised articles of the Code.

In subsections (e), (f)(1), (2), and (3), and (g) of this section, the reference to the "Department" is substituted for the former reference to the "Secretary" for consistency throughout this section and this subtitle.

In subsection (f)(1) of this section, the reference to a violation of the "Maryland Accessibility Code" is added for clarity.

Defined term: "Person" § 1–101

## 12-203. MINIMUM LIVABILITY CODE.

## (A) "DEPARTMENT" DEFINED.

IN THIS SECTION, "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

## (B) LOCAL HOUSING CODE REQUIRED.

EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION SHALL ADOPT BY REGULATION A LOCAL HOUSING CODE THAT SETS MINIMUM PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS FOR HOUSING IN THE SUBDIVISION.